

About the Cost of Gas Adjustment

- ➤ The Total Cost of Gas is the cost the company pays for the gas they provide to customers.
- > Utility companies are allowed to pass on the cost of gas to customers and they do not make a profit on the gas itself.
- > The Cost of Gas is charged on customers' bills for each dekatherm of gas consumed.

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. Total Cost of Gas per Dekatherm

| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| January | \$10.859 | \$11.956 | \$11.633 | \$16.649 | \$11.376 | \$12.067 | \$13.049 |
| February | \$9.981 | \$13.054 | \$10.864 | \$18.295 | \$13.571 | \$15.909 | \$15.245 |
| March | \$9.432 | \$11.956 | \$11.413 | \$17.746 | \$13.571 | \$15.909 | \$15.245 |
| April | \$8.884 | \$10.858 | \$11.413 | \$17.746 | \$9.181 | \$15.909 | \$15.245 |
| May | \$9.211 | \$10.315 | \$10.610 | \$16.864 | \$7.350 | \$12.526 | \$15.324 |
| June | \$9.211 | \$10.864 | \$10.610 | \$17.414 | \$7.350 | \$12.526 | \$15.324 |
| July | \$9.211 | \$10.864 | \$10.610 | \$18.512 | \$7.350 | \$11.428 | \$15.324 |
| August | \$9.211 | \$10.864 | \$10.610 | \$19.060 | \$7.350 | \$11.428 | \$15.324 |
| September | \$9.211 | \$11.962 | \$11.159 | \$19.060 | \$7.350 | \$11.428 | \$15.324 |
| October | \$12.505 | \$11.962 | \$12.257 | \$19.060 | \$7.676 | \$11.428 | |
| November | \$13.603 | \$10.864 | \$12.805 | \$16.317 | \$8.773 | \$13.626 | |
| December | \$13.054 | \$11.413 | \$16.099 | \$14.669 | \$12.067 | \$13.049 | |
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MDU Residential Bill Comparison

(Compares differences in bill amounts due to change in Cost of Gas Adjustments) (propane)

| Month | Usage | Difference from previous month | Difference from one year ago |
|----------------|-------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| September 2011 | 4dk | \$0.00 | \$15.58 |
| August 2011 | 2dk | \$0.00 | \$7.79 |
| July 2011 | 2dk | \$0.00 | \$7.79 |
| June 2011 | 3dk | \$0.00 | \$8.39 |
| May 2011 | 5dk | \$0.40 | \$13.99 |
| April 2011 | 8dk | \$0.00 | \$-5.31 |
| March 2011 | 13dk | \$0.00 | \$-8.63 |
| February 2011 | 13dk | \$28.55 | \$-8.63 |
| January 2011 | 17dk | \$0.00 | \$16.69 |
| December 2010 | 15dk | \$-8.66 | \$14.73 |
| November 2010 | 11dk | \$24.18 | \$53.38 |
| October 2010 | 7dk | \$0.00 | \$26.26 |
| September 2010 | 4dk | \$0.00 | \$16.31 |
| August 2010 | 2 dk | \$0.00 | \$8.16 |
| July 2010 | 2 dk | \$-2.20 | \$8.16 |
| June 2010 | 3 dk | \$0.00 | \$15.53 |
| May 2010 | 5 dk | \$-16.92 | \$25.88 |
| April 2010 | 8 dk | \$0.00 | \$53.82 |